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SUBJECT: NSF/SFCP, US-YUGOSLAV SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION.

TRAVEL OF DR. GILMARTIN AND MR. HARDING UNDER GRANT GF-31948,

"THE PRIMARY PRODUCTION OF THE NORTHERN ADRIATIC SEA."

REF: A) STATE 1166, B) STATE 25631, C) BELGRADE 539, D)

STATE A-9304 OF DECEMBER 20, 1974

1. BY ITS GRANT LETTER OF JUNE 4, 1974, THE US-YUGOSLAV JOINT BOARD AWARDED TO TUDJER BOSKOVIC INSTITUTE 1,191,000 DINARS TO CARRY OUT "THE PRIMARY PRODUCTION OF THE NORTHERN ADRIATIC SEA" PROJECT DURING THE SECOND PHASE. THIS GRANT INCLUDED 103,200 DINARS FOR TRAVEL OF US SCIENTISTS. IN ADDITION, UNDER REF D NSF REQUESTED THAT A US-YUGOSLAV JOINT BOARD GRANT LETTER BE PREPARED TO AWARD TO THE GRANTEE 1,063,500 DINARS FOR ACTIVITIES DURING THE THIRD PHASE. THIS GRANT INCLUDES 80,000 DINARS FOR TRAVEL OF US SCIENTISTS. A TOTAL OF 183,200 DINARS SHOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR TRAVEL OF US SCIENTISTS.

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2. NSF DOES NOT RECEIVE FINANCIAL DOCUMENTS CONCERNING

DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS FOR INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL OF US SCIENTISTS
AND ACCORDINGLY CANNOT KNOW WHAT IS AVAILABLE BALANCE OF THESE
FUNDS.

3. IT MAY BE THAT JOINT BOARD HAS NOT YET AWARDED THE SUM OF
1,063,500 DINARS AS REQUESTED BY NSF IN DECEMBER 1974. IF
THIS IS THE CASE, NSF RECOMMENDS THAT THE GRANT BE AWARDED
IMMEDIATELY.

4. AMEMBASSY REQUESTED TO DISCUSS THIS QUESTION WITH THE
GRANTEE, RUDJER BOSKOVIC INSTITUTE, AND DR. MALVERN GILMARTIN
UPON HIS ARRIVAL IN ZAGREB FEB 22, 1975. DR. GILMARTIN
MAY BE ABLE TO MAKE AN ARRANGEMENT WITH THE GRANTEE FOR AN
ADVANCE PAYMENT OF SUBSISTENCE TO MR. HARDING UNTIL THE JOINT
BOARD AWARD HAS BEEN MADE. INGERSOLL

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